NBC NEWS - 1968 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION (NIGHT 3) (PART 2 OF 2)

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From Thursday, August 8th, 1968 NBC NEWS live coverage of NIGHT 3 of the Republican National Convention from Miami Beach. Former Vice President, Richard Nixon was nominated for President and Maryland Governor Spiro Agnew was nominated for Vice President.

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agnew saw wavering delegates privately one by one in his room and he is said to be still disappointed however that the total isn't higher apparently he would love to take the entire maryland delegation into the nixon camp but there are a few still holding out governor reagan of california is now in a caucus room someplace here in the convention hall meeting with the mississippi delegation john dancy is outside the caucus room and perhaps we can get a report from him as to what's going on sean governor reagan has been in his uh trailer at the rear of the convention hall since about six o'clock this evening for about the past six hours suddenly uh just a few moments ago the governor's press secretary lynn knopsager came out told us that the governor would leave there and come here to the caucus room the governor is in this room just to my right and he is awaiting the other members of the mississippi delegation some members of the delegation are already inside there is a great deal of speculation that the governor is going to ask the members or is going to talk with them about a motion to adjourn we don't know whether the instigation for this came from the mississippi delegation or from governor reagan it would obviously benefit governor reagan since it would give him another day in which to talk to delegates try to swing more people to his side and get more delegate votes but in any case that seems to be what is afoot at the moment the governor is going to talk to the mississippi delegation they're going to consider adjournment we're told that a motion for adjournment is not debatable and so that would end tonight's session if it is actually made this is john dancy nbc news outside the caucus room now to john chancellor i'm standing in the mississippi delegation with a member of that delegation mr w d monger of jackson mississippi how many uh there are a bunch of you here on the floor are these the nixon delegates in the mississippi delegation oh not necessarily these are split up in both ways we have

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split up in both ways we have approximately 20 out here i believe we have 20 on the floor and we think there are approximately 20 in the meeting now you're wearing the biggest nixon button i've seen tonight but how many total votes could be cast as the last time you checked in the mississippi delegation for governor reagan not just counting the bodies but the votes well we have 20 votes that can be cast for president from mississippi and we have a unique way of voting by allowing our alternate delegates to vote and then we go vote the unit rule and go by the majority this morning we had a vote and 32 out of the 40 votes went for nixon six went for governor reagan and two win for governor rockefeller so in our vote tallies for people keeping it at home the way you stand now is three votes for reagan the way it's normally computed out of the 20 votes of the mississippi delegation is that right well that's right except we vote the unit rule so that the majority controls and all 20 of our votes go at this time for for nixon as of this morning it was 32 out of 40. now mr

munger governor reagan has made a rather dramatic attempt here in the early hours of thursday morning to wean away from the nixon supporters in this delegation some some votes how well do you think he's gonna you know these people in the delegation how well is he gonna do well he spoke to us once before he has already appeared before us and the most votes he got out of that was six votes he's not the only one trying to wean him away because he and governor rockefeller have the same purposes in this and we have been getting uh rumors all day long about the vice presidency most of which were designed to upset the southern delegates we have a story on nbc that says in talking to some alabama delegates tonight governor reagan said that he now has evidence that mr nixon wants mark hatfield of oregon is his vice

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mark hatfield of oregon is his vice president have you heard that oh the rumor has been floating around all day but we and our delegation at least i have met with the some of the our people in the nixon organization and senator thurman has met all the way with mr nixon himself on these issues and we do not believe from what we know and understand that uh hatfield would be the vice president you don't believe that we do not believe it you don't believe do you so you don't think to sum up some of your people have gone in to give governor reagan a hearing in the caucus rooms here in convention hall and you don't think that he's going to get very far with them well it would be hard for me to see that he could turn a what turn around enough delegates when we had a vote of 32 out of 40 to turn him around so that he would have a majority in the delegation so as far as we can tell now you expect mississippi to stand firm for nixon at this moment i do now we these people that on the floor now will probably go in and meet later with governor reagan and then we will appraise the situation after they all get back out right thank you very very much mr munger mr w d monger of jackson mississippi indicating that as we can tell here on the floor governor reagan probably won't be too successful with those delegates although mr munger wouldn't you say that this is uh i hate to say 11th hour because it's one o'clock in the morning in the east but this is kind of a dramatic attempt on his part to get support in the south well what would you say about that well it is certainly dramatic because we've been staying firm all day and we've been bombarded by a great number of reagan people and a great number of rockefeller people including including bill miller himself telling us the same story because they know that it is designed to bother us now most of us in

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designed to bother us now most of us in a delegation haven't paid any attention to it because they are really in our idea mostly rumors just to upset us and we have i've offered to bet several of the people who tell me that it's going to be hatfield two to one and i can't get any takers and i know the south carolina delegation has offered to better them three to one and they can't get any takers so i think the whole thing is designed to upset us and then governor reagan is coming over here to try to capitalize on that because the only hope that either he has or governor rockefeller is to stop the nixon uh voting surge that's very interesting thank you mr munger very nice john chancellor in the mississippi delegation now to sander van oaker thank you john i'm standing here with governor james rhodes of ohio as either sitting in the cat bird seat or the hot seat tonight governor rhodes just what do you intend to do has there been any change in your plans we announced in february that we were an uncommitted delegation we had the primary and ohio in may we said we were uncommitted we had all the candidates for the nomination in ohio we told them we were uncommitted we came to convention uncommitted we shall remain uncommitted and there will be 55 votes cast for the favor sir the presence over here of a best-selling author mr elia kazan who wrote the arrangement leads me to believe or suggest to you is it possible what some people are saying that there's an arrangement between you and governor rockefeller there's no arrangements between the state of ohio delegation and any candidate for the nomination as one of governor rockefeller's agents sitting right behind here you know the facilities ohio delegation does that suggest anything or such as a common court we have one here for uh governor reagan we have one here for uh richard nixon and we have one of her own and up to the present time we haven't had to use a hotline yet governor let me give

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use a hotline yet governor let me give you a hypothetical example what's happening with new jersey they say over there that if the vote gets to 348 for nixon the new jersey will probably go for him if when it gets to ohio which comes after new jersey reaches a certain figure might you reconsider at that point are you determined absolutely to go to the end of the roll call there will be no reconsideration of the high delegation they will cast 55 votes for their favorite son on the first ballot governor have you heard any of these rumors that are floating around about a rockefeller reagan attempt to adjourn the convention tonight i have not heard that if that thing were to go to a vote how would you vote i'd have to talk to my delegation thank you very much governor rhodes of ohio who is a nomination of the favorite son and says what he has always said and i'm beginning to believe him he will go to the end of the first ballot thank you governor rhodes now back to chet and david as we reported a minute ago a few minutes ago senator strom thurmond of south carolina the last of the favorite sons has been put in nomination and i think there's one more seconding speech possibly two and when that is done then they will begin the voting and those in formally in nomination now are hickle of alaska winthrop rockefeller of arkansas governor ronald reagan senator hiram fong senator frank carlson governor george romney senator clifford case governor jim rhodes senator strom thurman governor nelson rockefeller richard nixon and harold staci the if there's been any talk here on the floor of say a hickle station ticket or a thurman phong ticket we have not heard of it we'll uh be back with more of the republican convention after this word from gulf oil hopefully we are in the last seconding

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hopefully we are in the last seconding speech of the evening but john chancellor on the floor of the convention has a report sean uh i have been talking and i'm talking again to mr val j washington a delegate from chicago from the illinois delegation who is for rockefeller now you've heard all his talk about the rockefeller reagan forces perhaps trying to seek an adjournment tonight or a long recess you're a rockefeller man how do you feel about it well i'm against the german and i'm against the journal for two reasons at this stage in the game if the republicans have aren't ready to choose a delegate i mean she's a candidate for president and they're in that need of prolonging now the governor of my state mr oglesby says we want no adjournment and i'm working with him and i have the first role the first 14 in the role and i've checked them all and including the rockefeller people and the reagan people who've agreed that we want to vote tonight now is this because of the traditional illinois discipline for a governor or is this because you feel that way yourself personally well it has nothing to do with this up to a certain point we've had freedom in our delegation and there's still good spirit everybody's voted for who he wanted there's been no recriminations or anything else so i feel that if the rockefeller people don't have it but now or the nixon people don't have it but now the reagan people don't have it but now let's vote and see who does have it you think it'll be one ballot you're a rockefeller man remember i hope there's not one ballot you think that if it goes beyond here we'll be here all night mr washington all the rest of the night and by that time they'll probably pick a whole set of new candidates that's what i'm trying to avoid i think any one of these three men are good enough to make a good president i'm satisfied with a lot so let's not hunt for any more you're satisfied with governor reagan as well no not as well i wouldn't say that but i think he's capable of being elected president my choice is rockefeller

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rockefeller you're a resoundingly loyal republican mr washington thank you very much that's val washington a member of the illinois delegation a rockefeller supporter who says that he and he does represent other sentiment in the illinois and middle western delegations they're against a recess now back to chet and david david you have any kind of information well i have a little story here from nbc news mary mcandrew she uh has checked with the rhode island delegation and talked to governor john chafee who denied this rumor that was going around about trying to get a delay until tomorrow and chaffey backs governor rockefeller said to miss mcandrew we have nixon so scared now there will be no purpose in a delay um on the roster what did he say senator senator thurman the last of the favorite sons is now coming up to the roster to withdraw after their speeches were made very much mr chairman distinguished guest and my fellow americans i am deeply

grateful and humble for those fine remarks but i am going to make you the shortest speech of the convention not over one minute i am going to withdraw my name for president and i expect to cast my vote for that world statesman and that great american richard m nixon and south carolina's votes will go with

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and south carolina's votes will go with me delegates and alternates guests of the convention the chair wishes to express to each and every one of you my deep appreciation for your cooperation your assistance in helping to move this great convention forward for the purpose of nominating the next president of the united states at this point at this point there is what what is called a musical interlude here and um then after that the roll call of the states and the balloting will begin and uh it's one 12 after one in uh miami beach this session started at five o'clock the loudest ovation we've heard lately was for senator thurman of south carolina when he promised to make the shortest speech of all even the delegates have been sitting here now since uh five o'clock over eight hours listening to a series of speeches and you could you could get an idea of their move by their reaction to that he kept his word it was a short speech he said he was going to withdraw and cast his vote for nixon now we'll be back with the balloting and the rest of tonight's convention after a word from the gulf oil coverage one final word trust it's final on this rumor about a possible recess for tonight and a tactical move to delay the bounding until tomorrow someone asked joel broyhill of virginia

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someone asked joel broyhill of virginia if he thought an overnight adjournment would help or hurt the reagan cause roy hill advised continuing the session he said this long evening of favorite sun nominations has been what he called a stupidity simply to satisfy a few egos and he added this sort of thing has got to stop at future conventions well it's too late for this one it's all been done eight hours and fifteen minutes of um listening to speeches in most cases we have three candidates eight favorite sons and one favorite uncle speeches for all of them and second seconding speeches for most of them who are not candidates to john chancellor on the floor i'm standing here with senator edward brooke senator brooke uh you made a remark to me a moment ago which i find highly interesting i asked you to sum up the situation here before the balloting began and what did you say to me well john i said it's not certain that there will be balloting tonight at this point now can you explain that to me senator well there seems to be a move in the convention to make a motion for adjournment until tomorrow and of course if that's made and it carries and uh we won't have a ballot tonight what are the mechanics of this senator where would that begin well there would be a motion made from law for an adjournment you have an idea which state might make it well uh i really don't have an idea as to just where it would come from and it conceivably could be supported by both the reagan supporters and by the rockefeller supporters there are a number of states we can see here that have been committed either to governor reagan california could do it right pennsylvania do it as well certainly pennsylvania massachusetts many delegations could do it we can look forward to that happening in the next few minutes well let me let me say that i don't think that the rockefeller people will

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think that the rockefeller people will make such a motion i don't think so i think we still believe that uh nixon does not have enough votes to carry him on the first ballot despite all of the predictions to the contrary yeah but senator if you start the first ballot you can't stop it in the middle can't i agree it would have the motion would have to be made prior to ballots again so then that would narrow it down in your view to the reagan states and california would be the leading one of those conceivably but i i don't want to say that reagan will be but let me say to you that there is a possibility and i think it's rather strong what do you feel about it personally senator would you favor a recess for this evening should we all go home well i it's what time now it's about 1 21 and i'm sure the delegates are rather tired at this moment and you also think it would be darn good politics from your point of view to get out of here now wouldn't it sir well i don't know that i'd be less than candid if i didn't say to you that there's a possibility that it could enumer to the benefit of the rockefeller camp but i don't think the rockefeller camp would propose it senator thank you very much senator edward

brooks suggesting that we may not get to balloting tonight here's john dancing thank you very this is john dancy outside the caucus room here at convention hall clark reed chairman of the mississippi delegation has just come out of a caucus with governor reagan he said governor reagan told the mississippi delegation that if he were elected if he were nominated that his choice for a vice presidential candidate would be james rhodes of ohio he said that contrary to earlier reports there was no discussion of an adjournment tonight by governor of reagan of california mr reed once again said that if he was that the governor told him that if he was nominated his choice for a vice presidential candidate would be james rhodes of ohio mr rhodes of course is very close in view to governor reagan this is john dancy nbc news outside the caucus room here at convention hall and this is the rostrum the roll call of

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and this is the rostrum the roll call of the states for voting is now beginning 26 votes alabama cast 13 votes for dick nixon 12 votes for ronald reagan please repeat alabama cast 14 votes for dick nixon 12 votes for ronald reagan alaska alaska casts 11 votes for richard nixon the next president united states and one vote for rockefeller arizona arizona casts its 16 votes for the next president of the united states dick nixon arkansas arkansas cast its 18 votes for the honorable winter rockefeller california the state of california proudly casts all of its 86 votes for our great governor ronald reagan the great state of colorful colorado casts 14 votes for nixon three votes for rockefeller and connecticut cast 12 votes for rockefeller four votes for nixon delaware delaware cast nine votes for nixon and three votes for

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nine votes for nixon and three votes for nelson a rockefeller the district of columbia the district of columbia the nation's capital proudly cast six votes for richard nixon the next president of the united states and free for barack obama uh what do you repeat it oh will you repeat that please six for nixon and three for rockefeller florida florida the host state cass 32 votes for richard nixon one vote for governor reagan and one vote for governor rockefeller which rockefeller nelson rockefeller what did he say georgia chairman georgia cast two votes for governor rockefeller of new york seven votes for governor reagan of california 21 votes for the next president of the united states richard nixon hawaii hawaii america's youngest and most beautiful state where east meets west and the spirit of aloha casts 14 votes for its beloved senior united states senator a great statesman great american hiram l paul idaho mr chairman idaho votes five votes for ronald reagan

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five votes for ronald reagan votes for richard nixon illinois illinois vote 50 votes for nixon five votes for nelson rockefeller three votes for ronald reagan indiana indiana casts all of its 26 votes for the next president richard milhous nixon iowa iowa cast 13 votes for richard nixon eight votes for nelson rockefeller and three votes for dutch reagan great state of kansas cast 20 votes for our great american our nation our favorite son senator frank carlson kentucky kentucky cast 22 votes for richard nixon two votes for nelson rockefeller louisiana louisiana cast 19 votes for richard nixon seven votes for ronald reagan maine maine cast seven votes for its native son nelson rockefeller and seven votes for richard m nixon maryland maryland casts 18 votes for nixon eight votes for rockefeller massachusetts massachusetts casts 34 votes for governor rockefeller

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all 34. michigan michigan cast 44 votes for their favorite son a great american george romney and four votes for richard nixon minnesota minnesota the land of 10 000 lakes cast 15 votes for rockefeller nine votes for nixon one vote for harold stassen one vote for john lindsay lindsay mississippi mississippi cast 20 votes for richard nixon missouri mr chairman missouri cast 16 votes for richard m nixon five votes for governor nelson rockefeller three votes for governor ronald reagan montana madam chairman montana casts 11 votes for richard nixon and three votes for ronald reagan nebraska mr chairman nebraska casts all of its 16 votes for richard nixon nevada madam chairman nevada cast nine votes for mr nixon three votes for governor

rockefeller new hampshire new hampshire delegation the first to be chosen to this convention in a great victory for the next president of the united states is proud to cast its eight votes for richard m nixon new jersey mr chairman new jersey requests that its delegation be polled

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would they delegate from new jersey indicate his name who is seeking a poll of the delegation the state has not polled its own delegation and it would like that done by the chair by the clerk the end the chair will quote the rule which is rule 18 that's senator case there are 40 reads as follows 18 a in the balloting the vote of each state shall be announced by the chairman of their respective delegations and in the case the vote of any state shall be divided the chairman shall announce the number of votes for each candidate or for or against any proposition but if exception is taken by any delegate to the correctness of such announcement by the chairman of his delegation the chairman of the convention shall direct the role of the members of such delegation to be called and the results shall be recorded in accordance with the vote of the several delegates in each delegate such delegation on this i ask the reading clerk to call the role of the delegation case case delegate clifford p case one vote for case one vote for case

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delegate webster b todd one vote for case one vote for case delegate mrs andy flynn one vote for case one vote for case delegate leslie el blair leslie blau proudly casts his vote for the great senator from new jersey clifford p case one vote for case delegate c douglas dillon case one vote for case delegate frank s farley one vote for richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate edwin b forsythe case one vote for case delegate nelson g gross mr nixon one one vote for nixon delegate philip b hoffman one vote for case one vote for case by our records here it looks as if delegate j russell wooley one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate harold c thompson one vote for case one vote for case delegate k n mcdonald one vote for richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate charles w sandman jr one vote for clifford case one vote for case delegate john j svalter

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one vote for case one vote for case search third district so listed here delegate richard r stout one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate robert c stanley one vote for case one vote for case delegate george b harper one vote for richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate anton j donner jr one vote for senator clifford case one vote for case delegate peter h.b freeman heisen jr an enthusiastic vote for senator case one vote for case delegate raymond h bateman one vote for clifford case one vote for case delegate william t herling i am proud to cast my vote for richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate john e demon one vote for case one vote for case delegate mrs eleanor s nisly nixon one vote for nixon delegate william b whitnall he'll be right here richard nixon

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one vote for nixon delegate frank davenport one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate lawrence f cramer another vote for case one vote for case delegate david van alstein one vote for mr nixon one vote for nixon delegate william j dorgan one vote for richard m nixon one vote for nixon delegate john d blondel and one vote for case one vote for case delegate michael a guiliano one vote for case one vote for case delegate edmund t hume one vote for case one vote for case delegate c stuart kaufman one vote for senator case one vote for case delegate donald j ludwig i proudly cast my vote for richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate gilbert g rosner senator clifford case one vote for case delegate frank scott jr one vote for case one vote for case delegate henry konigsberg one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate joseph j gildini one vote nixon one vote for nixon delegate john b thorer mr thor is absent mr jensen will vote in his alternate delegate george jensen richard

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alternate delegate george jensen richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate john p gallagher nixon one vote for nixon delegate robert f lincesky the youngest delegate of the new jersey delegation cast its vote for the next president of the united states richard nixon one vote for nixon while the tally clerks are tallying up the result the chair requests that manny harmon and his orchestra play for the convention oh well while manny hermann uh plays a musical interlude let's go down to the florida john chancellor who has who is talking to senator case of new jersey john senator senator what's the tally as you make it i got 18 votes for nixon in your delegation i think that's right my my accounting hasn't been as sharp perhaps as yours but i think that's the right choice and 22 for you well that's the whole that's the whole count that would be 22. i don't know if they can see you i wonder if this gentleman would mind moving just a second senator how do you feel about it did you you had trouble all evening long didn't you no not indeed in trouble exactly the delegation has been in the center of much interest in the last several days in particular the last two days and uh mr nixon has been very active in pursuing

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pursuing new jersey delegates my guess is that the chief argument uh in respect of at least uh oh i should say about eight or ten of these delegates who voted for him uh in some respects in most respects the change from their previous position was appeared that mr nixon was the overwhelming victor and they wanted to cast a vote for him before the victory had become final i think that's really what it was one of your delegates told nbc earlier tonight that the nixon people told them that the they would have 384 votes by the time new hampshire voted they only had 354 at that point but you still think they feel that they had a they had a winner on their hands and they went for him is that your judgment well you'll have to ask them of course individually but i think that that accounts for the large majority of the votes yes all right thank you very much thank you very much now back to chet and david eight votes for former vice president nixon five votes for governor reagan and one vote for governor nelson rockefeller new york the empire state of new york cast four votes for richard m nixon and 88 votes for nelson a rockefeller the next president of the united states north carolina state of north carolina cast 16 votes for governor ronald reagan nine votes for richard nixon one vote for nelson rockefeller north dakota north dakota votes two votes for nelson rockefeller five votes for richard nixon one vote for regan ohio the wonderful world of ohio cass two votes by stasin pledge delegates for harold stassen one vote pardon me

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for harold stassen one vote pardon me correction one vote by astaxan pledge delegate for harold stassen two votes by ashbrook pledge delegates for richard nixon 55 votes for the favorite son of ohio the distinguished governor james a rhodes oklahoma casts 14 votes for dick nixon one vote for governor rockefeller and seven votes for governor reagan oregon oregon cast 18 votes for richard nixon pennsylvania pennsylvania the great commonwealth of pennsylvania casts 41 votes for nelson a rockefeller 22 votes for richard nixon and one vote for ronald reagan puerto rico puerto rico the next state of the union state 51 cast its five votes for governor nelson rockefeller rhode island state of rhode island and providence plantations cast 14 votes for nelson a rockefeller south carolina south carolina home of that great american strong thurman cast 22 votes for the next president of the united states richard nixon south dakota south dakota cast its entire 14 votes for dick nixon tennessee tennessee cast 28 votes for richard nixon tax us texas cash 15 votes for ronald

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tax us texas cash 15 votes for ronald reagan 41 votes for richard nixon uh utah madam chairman utah cast two votes for richard nixon six votes for george romney vermont vermont the green mountain state cast nine votes for richard nixon three votes for nelson rockefeller virginia mr chairman we have a request to poll the delegation that's 24 votes in virginia the convention will be in order under rule 18 the clerk of the convention

will call the role of the delegation of the state of virginia while you're watching our scorecard it takes six 667 to win delegate i lee potter come on up just a minute we're getting here nixon one vote for nixon delegate leonard hall one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate donald e earman

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donald e earman one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate a linwood holton one vote for nixon one vote by what might be called sort of a snap elegant tally and a montague off the top of the head projection it looks as though the vote of wisconsin may be the crucial one and potentially could put richard nixon over the 667 required to nominee delegate wayne lustig one vote for the honorable nelson rockefeller one vote for rockefeller delegate robert g dumar one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate arthur s brinkley jr one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate mrs alice c lynch one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate d dortch warringer one vote for richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate mrs martha b powell one vote for richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate thomas j carlton richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate t george vaughn jr for our vote for dick nixon one vote for nixon delegate richard h pop one vote for mr nixon one vote for nixon delegate d henry almond one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate warren b french jr one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate mrs g.o pendergrast bearing the initials mrs

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g.o pendergrast bearing the initials mrs gop i proudly cast my vote for richard m nixon one vote for nixon delegate jack l middleton one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate william l scott one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate glenn m one vote for nixon delegate douglas hess the youngest delegate of virginia delegation proudly cast his vote for next president united states richard nixon one vote for nixon delegate joel t broyhill one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate mrs c.b newman my vote goes for nelson rockefeller one one vote for nelson rockefeller the result of the poll of the delegation from the state of virginia 22 for nixon two for nelson rockefeller the virgin islands madam chairman the virgin islands the southeasternmost real estate under the american flag caribbean vacation land and home of the world record blue marlin cast one vote for rockefeller and two fenixen washington phantom chairman washington cast 14

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phantom chairman washington cast 14 votes for nick madam chairman the virgin islands wishes to be polled a convention will be in order a poll has been requested for the virgin islands the clerk of the convention will call the role of the delegates of the virgin islands delegate omar brown i cast my one vote for governor rockefeller delegate omar brown you please designate which governor rockefeller governor nelson rockefeller of new york thank you sir delegate philip c clark under our caucus agreement one vote for nixon one vote for nixon delegate charles r sent i'm proud to vote for richard nixon the next president of these united states one vote for nixon the tally of the vote on the poll of the delegation from the virgin islands two votes for nixon one vote for nelson rockefeller the secretary will proceed with the call of

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secretary will proceed with the call of the role of the states washington madam chairman washington cast 15 votes for richard nixon six votes for ronald reagan three votes for nelson rockefeller west virginia mr chairman west virginia cast 11 votes for nixon three votes for governor nelson rockefeller wisconsin madam chairman wisconsin is proud to cast his 30 votes for the nominee of this convention richard m nixon that does it there it is nixon is the nominee and we knew all the way through it would be dick nick knows what you're saying you knew it all the time that it was going to be wisconsin the first vote this is what i've been saying all the way through the convention governor were you nervous when you get up there no look for did you know it was going to be wisconsin well we figured this for some time as the tolls came in the total was predicted as 683 and as a result we figured that wisconsin would have the

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we figured that wisconsin would have the privilege of making the decision of this convention and naming the next nominee tonight we followed it through i believe that the total has been pretty well known and established by the news media and it was actually 683. where you going governor could you just tell us how you feel about the fact that well wisconsin's votes have all gone to richard nixon wyoming cast twelve principal primary and since we came here we came here with confidence that nixon would be nominated on the first house on the floor will the convention please be in order in the meantime the tally clerks will total the balance cast for all of the candidates we'll go inside this convention hall will undoubtedly uh make a that's going to be outside the hall of all the delegates here as he has many where he's going this is john dancy outside the convention hall bye uh after this musical interlude and when

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after this musical interlude and when order has been resumed someone could very well make a motion that the choice of the nominee be made unanimous this is the nixon headquarters by the way the headquarters hotels hey chairman ford is asking if any delegations wish to change their votes minnesota apparently does changes its vote to 26 for mr nixon minnesota cast 26 votes for richard nixon this is a chair recognized that's their formality now nixon is nominated mr chairman the state of missouri is happy to cast 24 votes for the greatest american of this generation and pledge 12 electoral votes to him in november richard nixon missouri cast 24 votes for richard nixon chair recognizes the state of washington mr chairman this is going to continue delegation after delegation will probably now ask that it's uh both be changed until it's made virtually unanimous but let's go down to the floor and to edwin um

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edwin um uh this is edwin newman on the floor governor knowles has been trying to get through to richard nixon did you succeed governor you got a busy signal but what didn't you get instructions to call richard nixon glenn davis representative glenn davis richard nixon but when you call the blind business correct dad we're going to try again sir we're trying again well trying again right now we're going to close it up now the job is done you're going to close what up well let's see what happens you call again another call attempt to go through to mr nixon by governor knows of wisconsin who passed three votes that put governor nixon over the top here he goes this is one of noah's dick all right this is governor knowles dick and i'm i certainly will and uh we are with you all the way dick we congratulate you on your nomination and we look forward to working with you and for you in the next president of the united states we were also very pleased to be able to put you over the top okay thank you dick you bet i certainly will good luck and thanks for all this what did it say governor said he was very pleased that a primary state like wisconsin had giving me necessary to a choice that he was particularly

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that he was particularly particularly pleased that wisconsin gave him the 30 votes necessary to make the decision governor knows describing his telephone conversation with richard nixon after wisconsin cast the vote that put nixon over the top this is edwin newman back to chetan david they're changing votes now which again is largely a formality but before any vote changing began it was 692 votes for next nomination of president or vice president reagan governor reagan is back uh behind the platform out of sight at the moment waiting to come on shall announce the question to be you can see him there uh it's a little dark where he's standing but you can see him there just under that curtain there is no provision in the rules for anyone to move to the platform and be recognized at this time the chair recognizes the chairman from the state of uh michigan chairman mr chairman the state of michigan cass 48 votes for richard nixon nixon and we will do everything we can to bring about the needed national state and local republican victories this year i'm sorry michigan cast 48 votes unanimous the chair recognizes the delegation from pennsylvania chairman the commonwealth of pennsylvania cashed 64 votes for richard m nixon

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64 votes for nixon from pennsylvania montana montana has 14 votes for richard nixon montana 14 votes for nixon hawaii with the chairman hawaii cast is 14 votes for richard nixon hawaii cast 14 votes for richard nixon rhode island rhode island cast its 14 votes for richard m nixon rhode island 14 votes for nixon alabama delaware delaware mr chairman delaware casts one vote for nelson rockefeller and eleven votes for richard nixon sandy van oaker on the floor has a report for us sandy david i'm down here in the pennsylvania i'm sorry the michigan delegation where there's a kind of an anticlimactic drama going on here a man from the rockefeller camp murray guard who used to work for time life and took a leave of absence to work for rockefeller got governor rockwell i believe on the phone and governor romney is talking to him on this phone now what they're saying i don't know i asked before the phone call was made was governor romney going to go to the podium because he is a favorite son candidate and urged that the nomination of richard nixon be made unanimous he told me the time no he thought that was something that both rockefeller and reagan should do because it'd be more seemly for them to do it than for him now there's a discussion going on i assume that he is on the phone to nelson rockville i don't know it i know that one of rockefeller's lieutenants is down here he made the phone call and then put governor romney on the phone he's in conversation now maybe governor rockefeller or one of governor

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rockefeller or one of governor rockefeller's attendance wants governor romney to do something here in the form of urging party unity or something like that i don't know i think that's what's going on here and that's all i can tell you at this time arkansas has its 18 votes for dick nixon arkansas 18 for nixon new mexico the state of new mexico proudly casts its 14 votes for richard nixon new mexico 14 for nixon kansas kansas cash 19 votes for richard nixon one vote for nelson rockville kansas votes 19 for nixon one for rockefeller uh nevada we believe uh the governor there was talking to governor rockefeller nevada 12 for nixon trying to when he finishes we'll try to find out why alaska what was said alaska's proud cast for richard nixon alaska 12 votes for richard nixon maybe a phone number where governor can virginia cast 24 votes for richard nixon virginia 24 votes for nixon north dakota nixon before they started changing votes nixon made it on the first ballot with 25 votes to spare connecticut has 16 votes for richard nixon connecticut 16 votes for nixon colorado chairman romney wrote down one phone number and he's calling another that's all i can say so we'll just wait he's calling what did you say i'm calling mr nix

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you say i'm calling mr nix trying to just talk to a moment ago uh governor rockefeller you're trying to get mr nixon i'm trying now to get him you just heard the governor say he had talked to governor rockefeller and he was trying to get mr nixon he wrote down a phone number and he's trying to get mr nixon at this time audio heartiest congratulations well i thought chairman of louisiana well i think you were very wise in the policy you pursued with respect to michigan and i thought you did a superb job in your press conference yesterday i watched it on tv and i thought you did a superb job but i i really congratulate you and uh certainly we'll do all we can governor romney could you tell us what mr nixon said to you when you called him no you'll have to ask him well we didn't have a two-way on this but did you talk to governor rockefeller before yes i talked to him and then i talked to mr nixon has governor rockefeller called mr nixon yes he has he said he had just finished talking

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he said he had just finished talking with him and i asked him for his number so i could get him immediately and he gave me his number and i then called it as governor as mr nixon invited you to come and meet with him for a little discussion tonight or tomorrow no no how did governor romney sound this is governor romney how did mr nixon uh that he didn't want the michigan delegation to do anything other than what would be best in terms of the election in november in other words he never put any pressure on the michigan delegation this is the impression we've had around this convention that he has not put pressure on delegations well he didn't put any on the michigan delegation and what did you mean about the news

conference you thought he handled what just right yesterday's news conference i happened to see it on tv yesterday morning i'm following your today show and uh i thought he did an expert job i really thought he was outstanding on that television show thank you very much governor you had indicated no i never had well you would said you didn't know well that's not indicating interest i indicated very clearly that i was not okay thank you very much governor romney just to recapitulate that was governor romney who placed the call to governor rockefeller got a number where you call mr nixon he called mr nixon he congratulated mr nixon said he had handled the michigan delegation just right he hadn't put any pressure on him governor romney said he didn't have an invitation to meet with mr nixon that'll probably come tomorrow in the great feast of unity that i suppose will take place governor romney of michigan talking to governor rockefeller and to the nominee of the republican party richard nixon this is sander van oaker at the michigan delegation now back to chutney sandy sandy sandy sandy can you hear me yes yes david how about the meeting tonight

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about the meeting tonight to talk about the vice presidency david all i know is that john tower told me earlier in the evening i'm just wandering around i don't know where i am let me see if i can get on a camera if you've been here a long time okay um i'm standing in the middle of the ohio delegation and uh earlier this evening john tower told me that he assumed there would be a meeting sometime tonight uh he didn't tell me whether he had been invited one of the people i think was john chancellor was told by strom thurman that he was going he was invited and uh this is the normal thing but george romney is not well that's what he said that doesn't mean he won't be invited later um i don't think he would be invited you know after all he has to see the people mr nixon who were supporters of his and indeed he is not obliged to do what they want him to do but courtesy demands that he simply um go ahead and listen to their views i think that's all that they really want and i do believe from what i've heard around this floor from southerners especially that while they have strong and pointed views about the matter they do believe that mr nixon should be allowed to choose his own vice president but i don't think he'd have it any other way here's governor reagan governor reagan has just appeared on the roster he came in from the trailer china

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thank you thank you very much mr chairman fellow delegates fellow republicans gathered here with one common bond uniting us and that is the knowledge that this great nation cannot stand or survive four more years of the policies that have been guiding us for too many of the recent years therefore because the only vehicle in the great two-party system with the potential to replace the leadership now in washington is the republican party i hereby and proudly move on behalf of my fellow californians that this convention declare itself as unanimously and united behind the candidate richard nixon as the next president of the united states and i shall move

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a similar motion from uh new york was uh ignored a little while ago see what happens to this one the chair the delegates the alternates the guests i'm sure are deeply grateful for the action taken by governor ronald reagan let us show our appreciation for his appearance and for his actions the chair now appoints the following committee to notify richard m nixon of his nomination for president of the united states committee is as follows senator carl mont of the state of south dakota representative john burns of the state of wisconsin representative john rhodes of the state of arizona and to have a chance to congratulate former vice president richard nixon on his spectacular success in carrying the convention here and getting the nomination of the republican party i've called him on the phone to

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i've called him on the phone to congratulate him personally and wish him all a success in winning the election in november and i'd like to take this opportunity to thank those who are here present happy the family who stood by and been such tremendous help all through this campaign to all those who have worked

with me in the campaign and to all of you who are here in this room who travel representing the media you've been terrific you've taken a lot of long hard days but i just like to say that i think that every minute of it has been worthwhile in terms of the future of this country and i hope it'll be useful to the party and to the country in the days that lie ahead how do you account now for this disparity between what you were anticipating or predicting as recently as four o'clock and what actually happened it looks like it didn't count properly before instead of now i think that um there was slippage during the course of the evening i ran about 75 votes short of what i thought i was going to get mr reagan ran about 100 short of what shall i say i hoped he was going to get and that's the ball game i don't know what you mean by an accommodation i just finished i think

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are you talking about a spot on the ticket don't spend the time could you tell us what the end of your conversation with mr nixon especially what mr nixon told you in your phone conversation well he um i congratulated him wished him the best of luck in the campaign and he expressed appreciation for the spirit in which the campaign had been conducted during the past three months that i've been in it stated he thought it was very helpful in terms of discussing the issues and opening up thinking on the key subjects before the american people specifically ask you for any help in the campaign well not in terms of what's already been suggested uh help in terms of the campaign looking into the future uh we'd get together he's headed for california i'm headed for maine governor do you plan to work for the nixon ticket this fall campaign i said i'd support whoever was the nominee of the convention well your campaign for himself types you don't support somebody unless you campaign governor did he indicate that mr nixon indicated he would consult you at all on his choice for the vice presidency now i asked him if he made his decision he said he had not and that seemed to me that was his responsibility not mine governor sir this is a rather tough question but i i i want to give you a tough answer you've tried for the presidency more than once now and you failed i wonder what your personal feelings are about what's happened and about your future well i really wasn't worrying much about my future as little nelson said daddy if you don't win he said we can play together more i think that's the answer right there

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do you think governor that you might ever run for the presidency again well i'll tell you four years ago i said i wouldn't and here i've just finished doing it i've stopped making predictions do you think anything solid came out of this grinding campaign that you've done how do you define something solid well i mean for example the platform you think the platform has been different because you've taken the race do you think that it will be a different thrust to the campaign because you came in and you think this will all be lost no i think that you're nice to mention it i think frankly that um the platform when you listen to the permanent chairman's speech jerry ford's speech that the work of the last 10 years and three attempts to get the nomination the republican party for the presidency have left their mark on the thinking of the party and i was very pleased with the platform and very pleased with the speech which jerry ford made i thought that that showed an awareness of what's going on in this country in the world that is going to be tremendously important for the republican party how do you view the future of the party now well having just made predictions for the last uh two or three months culminating in this afternoon i don't think i'm gonna make any predictions but i think it all be bright about whatever you said in cincinnati that uh mr nixon could not win the election this year how do you feel about that now did i say that yes do you think it'll come back to haunt us

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come back to haunt us i hope not governor if you could do your campaign all over again what would you do differently do it exactly the same would you have waited as long you regret now not entering my friends i've had the same team together and taken the same positions on the issues i think they were the sound positions and the constructive ones and a wonderful group of people working together governor why do you think you ever been a republican convention do you think it was an ideological thing now do you think that too many of them didn't forgive you for 1960 now i think that this convention genuinely prefers dick nixon and

i think this is true for the leadership of the party governor it's as simple as that governor for the candidates to say they're going to win i suppose they can't very well go into the colony saying otherwise i wonder if you'd be willing to tell us to what degree that tactical necessity and to what degree the real deep-seated conviction played a part in your statement no i really thought i was going to win i had faith i feel it was the right thing for the country and the right thing for the party and i'm one of those people who operate on the base of faith

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operate on the base of faith simple as that you have an intention to go to the convention tonight or tomorrow night well i'm not going tonight happens tomorrow we'll deal with tomorrow governor there have been a number of stories written over the years about family wealth family fortune stories have been titled what makes rocky iran have any new thoughts on the subject why you decided to run again what brought you no new thoughts very simple ones exactly what i've said i didn't want to get into i didn't plan to get into it when the circumstances developed as they did when president johnson dropped out when the reverend martin luther king was assassinated when he had riots in the city of cities i felt the problems facing this nation at home and abroad was so serious and that i had spent 22 years in public service national international state local that i had no right not to make available what experience i had for the use of the party in the country and this is the sole reason i came in governor from an ideological standpoint what kind of a vice president would you like dick nixon to choose but believe me uh that is his responsibility if he should ask you for your recommendation would you be prepared to make one on the brighton benefit he's been asking everybody else he's already pretty well up on it now governor what state what what state hurt you the most in the roll call tonight was it the defection from new jersey do you think the erosion was the wrong way you know now that the campaign is over uh have you any announcement or can you give us any timetable when you will make an announcement regarding the senator from new york that you're going to appoint almost forgotten that thanks for reminding me thank you it's a pleasure and thanks to all of you for what you've done

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great richard nixon is standing by in his hotel for a press conference and he's been watching the television waiting for governor rockefeller to finish until he could start his herbert capilo of nbc is in the room with it the nixon family has gathered here on the 15th floor of the plaza the hilton plaza hotel in miami beach just about 40 minutes after mr nixon was nominated for the vote being put over by the state of wisconsin gathered with mr nixon or his wife his two daughters and david eisenhower who is engaged to his younger daughter julie nixon we're about ready to begin the interview there are several reporters gathered here waiting to hear the first reactions of mr nixon having been nominated for the second time as the republican candidate for the presidency mr nixon what is your feeling now having won this victory my feeling first is one of great gratitude to all of those who help me win it this is one of those years when i felt that i could go out and talk about the issues and study the issues and leave the campaign organization to a fine team and uh we really had a great team i i know that it's traditional at the time that you win a contest like this a contest for the highest office the nomination for the highest office to give credit to others but in this case they deserve it i think i have the finest campaign organization tested in the fires of the primaries now ready to go on to the big battle and i just want to express my appreciation to them and to the thousands of workers in the primary states

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states mr nixon your political fortune sank pretty low after 1960 and here you are back on top again how do you explain it it's hard for a man to evaluate how he came to a position like this i think that looking at it as a political observer that the vacuum that occurred in the republican party after the defeat of 64. the fact that i was the major campaigner for the party in 1966 the fact that we had the development on foreign affairs which put great effect on and great interest in the issue of foreign policy all of these contributed to making it possible for me to even be considered as a candidate but then too i'm as you know somewhat fatalistic about uh particularly the presidency i think the presidency seeks the man i don't mean but that there's an indispensable man i don't mean that a man is drafted a man must be ready but unless it's your time unless

you're the man the country needs and that your party needs it at that particular point in history there's no way you can make it i think the reason i'm here is that i was ready i was willing uh and uh the events were such that this seemed to be the time that the party wanted me to carry it standard and i just hope i can be worthy of it in these next few months mr nixon all through these past few weeks your opponents and uh indeed most of us on bad days have been using words like erosion and slippage and sliding boats up one way and down the other and your people just seem to be right blase and kept saying 700 was this locked up all the time and we just didn't find it out or what well i actually believe that the nomination was won the night of the oregon primary uh from then on it was simply a matter of our not making mistakes because having gone down the primary

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because having gone down the primary road uh having uh come through those primaries even though our opposition was in absentia for the most part in oregon of course there was a great deal spent for the other candidates but they didn't campaign there having done that uh it was inevitable that i would be nominated uh i think two when you asked was has it been locked up since then not really because if we hadn't had a campaign organization constantly checking the delegates constantly seeing whether or not they were moving over to another candidate we could have lost it but we were up against two very good teams the rockefeller team was superb well organized well financed the reagan team which came in late in the game was a very good team but we had a very good team and we started out ahead i i simply would say this that i was being quite candid with you gentlemen of the press when i said over and over again when you ask that it was not locked up it was not because we could have lost it on the other hand we had it one in oregon and all we did was to retain our winnings and retain our position well having now been through the process of uh picking the candidate on the republican side i'm not going to get into the contest on the democratic side i think i've had enough uh excitement over the past few months in on the republican side as far as preference is concerned i do believe now that the vice president humphrey has to be the favorite although in this unpredictable year something could happen at that convention i do think however that we will win in the fall i think we're going to win for the very reason that that answer implies because we're a united party i was delighted this evening to have calls from governor rockefeller right after the vote became known wisconsin both put us

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vote became known wisconsin both put us over the top a call from governor romney and a message came in also from governor reagan uh this is the way to win it you see the beauty of our contest this year was that we won the nomination in a way designed to win the election uh we didn't make the mistake of breaking up the california delegation or breaking up the ohio delegation or raiding the michigan delegation and in the state of new york also we respected the rockefeller position of being the candidate from new york and i think this will pay off in november we're going to have a united party sure we've had a real fight it was a good contest and i'm i'm well aware of that but we have won it in a way that we're going into that final campaign united and now the problem of our democratic friends when they meet chicago see if they can do the same thing if they can then will be a a very very tight contest yes sir do you anticipate uh going back to uh 1960 you had a meeting with governor rockefeller there to discuss uh uh sort of a coincidence of views on issues do you anticipate another of those will be necessary now well not only will such a meeting will be be necessary but it will be very appropriate with governor rockefeller governor romney governor rhodes uh the governors of the major states i told governor rockefeller today that i was very anxious to sit down with him not only to talk campaign strategy but to talk about some of the great issues foreign policy and the policies with regard to the cities in which he is a recognized expert that's always been my view that i don't have all the knowledge and i want the strongest men and the best knowledge that our party can produce and we're very fortunate to have men like rockefeller and reagan and romney and rhodes real powerhouses who can contribute to that i'll be discussing things with the governor and i think he'll give me some good views as will governor reagan and the others why do you anticipate meeting the

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why do you anticipate meeting the governor uh the first week from now on uh i will be going to california for meetings with various issue groups that is uh people who will be coming to california to go over the great issues that we're going to have to prepare positions on for the final campaign and then in the free the week after that in other words the second week the week before the democratic convention is the best way to describe it i would hope then to begin to see some of the governors of the major states and to start to design the campaign strategy but also to try to get an exchange of views something else i'm interested in too is to see if any of them have good men on their campaign staffs that might be available for our campaign i mentioned that to governor rockefeller today because we're we're not just uh winning this nomination as uh an exclusive club uh we want this party to be inclusive that's the strength of our campaign to date and that's going to be the strength of our campaign in the finals of americans of course are watching and listening right now at this hour in the morning you have made it quite clear that you intend not only to unite the republican party but to unite the nation and i wonder if in a word you could give a message to the american people who are still up at this hour watching this dramatic historic moment a message that you would want the american people to have at this time well that message i will go into in more detail when i make my acceptance speech tomorrow night but in a word tonight i would say this that i have tried throughout this campaign for the nomination to talk not just to the republican party but to the nation i will continue to talk in that vein between now and november because the problems that we face abroad and at home are simply too big for the usual

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are simply too big for the usual politics as usual and partisanship as usual i believe that the problems are so great that we need not only the best thinking of the republican party and that means not only the nixon people but the reagan people the rockefeller people and the romney people but we also need the best thinking that we can get from all segments of america including leading members of the democratic party now of course as far as any what we call coalition is concerned in which we can tap that kind of thinking that will have to come after the election but i intend incidentally to wage the campaign between now and november in a way that i can unite the nation i'm not going to change my tactics now this is not going to be a partisan campaign republican versus democrat i don't want to say anything in this campaign that will divide america geographically that will divide it racially uh that will divide on a party basis sure it'll be hard-hitting i'm going to hit on the issues that i think are right and i'm going to take on the administration for its failures or and take on its candidate for those failures on the other hand i want to win the election in the same way that i won the nomination win the election in a way that i can unite the country it should not be a tough hard partisan campaign thank you very much we've heard a good bit today about southern pressures upon you in connection with the vice presidential choice are you free tonight to pick anyone you wish for that uh as a running mate certainly as a matter of fact i won the nomination without having to uh pay any price make any deal with any uh candidate or any individuals representing a candidate now when i meet with the representatives from all over the country they'll have some strong views the southern delegates the northern delegates the midwestern delegates and the western delegates but i will make the decision based on my best judgment as the man as to the man

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best judgment as the man as to the man that can work best with me and that will i think perhaps uh if if he ever has to do that serve as president of the united states uh and when you talk about pressures from my uh from southern delegates let me make it very clear i've had it from all over the country i've i've heard from the midwesterners have their favorites and the northerners have theirs and the southerners have theirs and it's going to be my first hard political decision now is to decide from among the host of good candidates that have been suggested who's the best man i think when we by tomorrow morning i'll have an announcement on that that will be of interest mr nixon i haven't decided yet though you reportedly told some of the southerners that you would not stuff a candidate down their throats that would not be acceptable to them and some of them interpret that as meaning that it would not be lindsay or it would not be hatfield well how

anybody would interpret what i say of course is something that only they could respond to but let me say that i have made that same statement to delegations from the northern states as well because i want a candidate who does not divide this country for vice president any more than i divided for kipp further as a candidate for president and so i don't intend to pick a candidate for the vice presidency that will be unacceptable for example to the eastern states the big city states any more than i pick this candidate that will be unacceptable to the southern states but when you get to the how many there are i think i think they're very few that are in the category that somebody's going to veto them i think we've got a big field to choose from governor dewey and uh yes yes and that's why we have to that's why we have to knock this meeting off because governor dewey governor goldwater two that the two former candidates are here along with a number of party leaders and then tomorrow morning we will meet with the elected party officials ray bliss the chairman of the senate and house campaign committees uh the republican

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campaign committees uh the republican leaders the house and senate one last question if i might adam mrs nixon uh you haven't been heard from yet could we could we have your feelings on this dramatic moment well i can just say that it's been a tremendously exciting time and we're very tired because it's late but we're happy can i add one word there i i personally think when i talk about my campaign team that nobody has ever had a family team that was of a greater assistance than nixon family i can say that so thank you conducted by the new republican nominee the republican candidate for the presidency in 1968 and for a moment the lights went off and now they're back on in the news conference room and for the last moments the nixon family poses for pictures herbert capital nbc news at the hilton plaza hotel so we have heard from the principal uh winner and the loser governor reagan of california appeared before the convention a little earlier and acknowledged uh his defeat and actually made a motion that the choice of mr nixon be made unanimous but apparently there must be some rule this year in the convention which uh precludes that because two such motions were simply bypassed and overlooked uh we shall hear from our four floor uh reporters uh in a moment but first nbc's coverage of the convention will continue after this message from gulf we've heard from we've heard well we've heard from almost everybody in the republican party tonight over the

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in the republican party tonight over the course of almost 12 hours here in this convention hall it is now adjourned court including the winner and the two major losers now we're going to hear finally before we wrap this up and go home we're going to hear from our four reporters on the floor are you there yes i think we are can you hear us i thought yeah you're gonna say you're about to hear from four losers no no winners four winners i think what was interesting tonight was the fact that there seemed to be at the very end very little coordination between the rockefeller and the reagan forces when as senator edward brooke of massachusetts told nbc that he thought that the reagan people were going to call for a recess we checked it with the reagan people who looked the reagan floor manager here james halley looked at me with shock and alarm and said no comment and you can tell that they were each one was hoping the other would have this 11th hour delay and of course it never happened there were more rumors tonight in this convention than on an excursion trip of mata haris on the orient express everywhere you went somebody was dumping i came down here and a guy in a grey flannel suit milwaukee talking came up and said have you heard strom thurman has been given a veto power on the secretary of state and secretary of defense i said no have they really promised he said yes i said where are you from he said senator percy's camp do you hear about the california indictment secretary of defense let's just check this one out what time did you hear that rumor sandy i picked it up uh i think around six o'clock this evening and then we tried to check it out about the veto thing let's see how long these rumors stay alive i heard it at 12 o'clock going this way at 1205 going that way what was that about somebody being offered the secretary ship of defense yeah that was that no there was one that was down here about a california industrialist being offered the secretary ship of defense as part of a package deal so rococo and baroque that i cannot recall it right now well we had this rumor going to about uh

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well we had this rumor going to about uh senator mark hadfield who was supposed to throw fear into the southern camp and uh train of uh louisiana seemed to me to make good sense and it's kind of hard to find good sense sometimes under circumstances but when we went to him with his idea he says why does he need to do that he says he's already got that oregon delegation for 2000 solid why would he have to do that and it's kind of refreshing once in a while to find a man who can keep his finger on some of the realities when all the confusion is going on i i rather enjoy talking to him of course a rumor could have grown out of uh what senator strom thurman told one of you fellas too i he probably overstated it a bit he did imply it seemed to me that he was going to personally uh review the vice presidential possibilities now someone who might have heard that or talked to somebody else who had heard it that'd be that could have easily been expanded into a good rumor couldn't it well it is possible that thurman got a mistaken impression from right now from nixon so far as that goes that's by now he's out of the question it's equally possible that uh he was led to believe that he would have a good deal of influence in what happened you know getting back to what happened here tonight on mayfield i must say two things one i think this is about the slickest political operation i have ever seen and that includes the john f kennedy operation in 1960 in los angeles and secondly i think we witnessed a really remarkable chapter in the long political life of richard nixon when you imagine that this man was considered out in 1960 by a narrow margin defeated in california and said he would never hold another press conference with the reporters nothing really in 1964 except acting as a unifier for the party and here he is once again the nominee of his party um what everyone feels about mr nixon some people like him some don't i think one everyone must agree that this is a remarkable testimonial to his political sagacity and his determination i watched the i the balloting with howard callaway with beau callaway

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with howard callaway with beau callaway from georgia who is the southern regional chairman and vo callaway was tallying against the list they already had and he called the outcome i think about at the 40th state and i don't think he was more than three votes off no they were off uh i was down at ohio watching uh rhodes and andrews keeping their tally and they were off uh in a couple of states uh mississippi for sure not just what they had in mind for mississippi and what actually happened there that made them off i haven't been able to determine yet but they were off in mississippi and they had made some mistakes in their calculations earlier here's an idea i'd like to try out the only movement if there was any movement at all that we saw in this uh up to this stage in this convention was right after reagan announced openly and formally that he was a candidate this set of flurry through the south now the remarkable performance it seems to me was how the nixon people were able to contain that in the south it was vital to them and where reagan has so much appeal where their hearts keep saying reagan and their minds keep saying nixon you know it's all be hard when you can get the uh the mind to really hold firm over the heart like that and i had the feeling that this thing began to fall apart as far as rockefeller and reagan were concerned about 6 30 this evening seemed to be an awareness seeping through them that they were off that they wouldn't make it of course they couldn't say so well don't you agree that they want him more uh they want him more as a vice presidential candidate than they want limas as uh president that the south wanted would prefer reagan as a vice presidential candidate yes i think you're probably right about that a number of them uh indicated that tonight they think reagan would give the ticket a tremendous boost uh but equally they i think there's some doubt in the south that uh reagan has sufficiently demonstrated that he is a national winner and for that reason as you say they would prefer him in second place on the ticket no nevertheless it was my firm impression and i'd like to ask the rest of you if you've shared this

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rest of you if you've shared this that if this convention did not nominate nelson uh richard nixon it would have nominated ronald reagan and not rockefeller what do you think frank no i don't think so i think so i will never i don't i don't will never prove it i don't have any idea the main thing is this party wanted unity it has it has unity and we just ought to add parenthetically but richard nixon is now meeting with the leaders of this party but

they're not going any longer there as people that he has to promise or suggest anything they're going as supplements in a sense he is the winner now and they come to treat with him if he wants to maintain the party unity that he has built with such cost and care then he must pay attention to what they want to pay attention but all of them said tonight remember we were doing these interviews all of them said now of course it's his decision to make that's why all of them remember especially the southerners yes let me try something else on you all right it'll occur to you fellas throughout the week that uh we kept reporting uh you know saying in effect that this thing could be pretty close and i wondered many times throughout the week were we being taken into camp we were we having our legs pulled in a grand fashion and were we over doing this and frankly i was relieved the way it turned out chad we weren't there was a contest there uh there was a contest but there's only one rule to political reporting it seems to me before the balloting it's always nipped and tucked and after the balloting the outcome was never in doubt well anyhow though there was only 25 votes margin there when you got down to the end of the line and uh just a little slippage up there in the front end of that roll call could have made a tremendous difference take 12 and a half volt votes away and add them on to rockefellers and or somebody else's but there was a center victory from the moment we got down here uh we tried to find it shake it um sure you can try to figure out which camp is lying the most but ever since all of us arrived here you

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ever since all of us arrived here you could just feel it it was intangible and that's the way it is in all conventions but sometimes that is artificially generated sandy as you well know yes you know you can almost buy it in bottles well i think there is something to wave it under people's noses i think there's there's something we ought to say about ourselves and about the associated press polls in the new york times polls and uh i have a feeling they had an effect on the delegates as well here to hold the nixon support if not to build it i would just like to say one more thing about the vice presidency two more things really i suspect that the reason thurman thinks he has a veto is that nixon has promised everybody that he will not accept as his running mate anybody who is unacceptable to any section of the country which in effect gives the south uh vetoed gives the north of veto gives a west of veto and so on superman provides president who could survive a test like that well uh i don't know but uh that's what he's finding excuse me reagan perhaps you've already reported this but as he left the platform tonight was saying again that his recommendation was rhodes of ohio rose of ohio the man who held out can i end this all by saying fellas it was just swell we must do it again soon we'll talk about that tomorrow night we shall be back with the grand finale for this evening right now a message from gulf well you said something about a grand finale if you're counting on me for it don't because i'm too tired it might be a finale but it certainly will not be grand we've been here what 12 hours 12 hours in this in this booth uh we've heard a few more speeches than any of the delegates in the hall cared to hear they finally didn't nominate a candidate but they certainly put their republican delegates through the hoops before they got around to it nominated 12 people of whom only three truly were candidates uh let's see tomorrow tonight sometime during their well at the this morning nixon and a lot of the

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this morning nixon and a lot of the republicans will meet somewhere in his hotel and discuss the vice presidency they will discuss it he will listen and he will then decide and he says tomorrow morning it didn't say what time sometime tomorrow morning he will have an announcement that we may find of interest meaning the name of the vice president and uh in these cases the presidential nominee always says i will recommend to the convention the name of whoever it is and that's it the convention always accepts it and tomorrow night there will be the nomination of the vice president which is pro forma once the name is given to them the vice president's acceptance speech so as to get that out of the way uh first then the presidential nominees acceptance speech and then a great show of unity harmony upon the rostrum and that'll be that and we'll be here what time they say seven o'clock tomorrow morning with the today program of course and then seven o'clock tomorrow night again for the final session immediately following the news well that wasn't it but it wasn't very grand but that was a finale good night good night foreign

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